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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sports Racket Having a Uniform String Structure

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the office action dated 07/05/01 received in connection with U.S. Application Serial No. 09/715,762, please enter the following:

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 3, 5 and 8 without prejudice.

Please enter the following amended claim:

July 1.

(Amended) A racket comprising:

a frame with a handle defining a longitudinal main axis;

a head connected to the handle;

said head having parallel longitudinal sides and parallel transversal sides, said sides being firmly connected together at their ends;

said head having a racket face, to be spanned by strings;

said head having a means for securing strings to the frame;